

A Homegoing Celebration for



Sunrise

March 21, 1947

*Loretha
Young
Levels*

Sunset

March 2, 2002

Services Held

Thursday, March 7, 2002 • 11:00 am

New Bethel Pentecostal Church

3429 Cutting Avenue • Richmond, California

Officiating - Dr. Betty Reva Hendricks, Pastor

Obituary

Loretha Young Levels was born March 21, 1947, in Oakland, California to the union of Clarence, Sr. and Emma Young. At a young age she accepted Christ and united with Greater Faith Pentecostal Church of Richmond, California. Later she rededicated her life and united with Bethel Temple Pentecostal Church also in Richmond. Loretha attended schools in Richmond and graduated from Harry Ells High School. She later met and married Alex Levels of Richmond; one son was born to this union, Alex Lamont Levels. Loretha worked for many years at MJB Coffee in San Francisco, California.

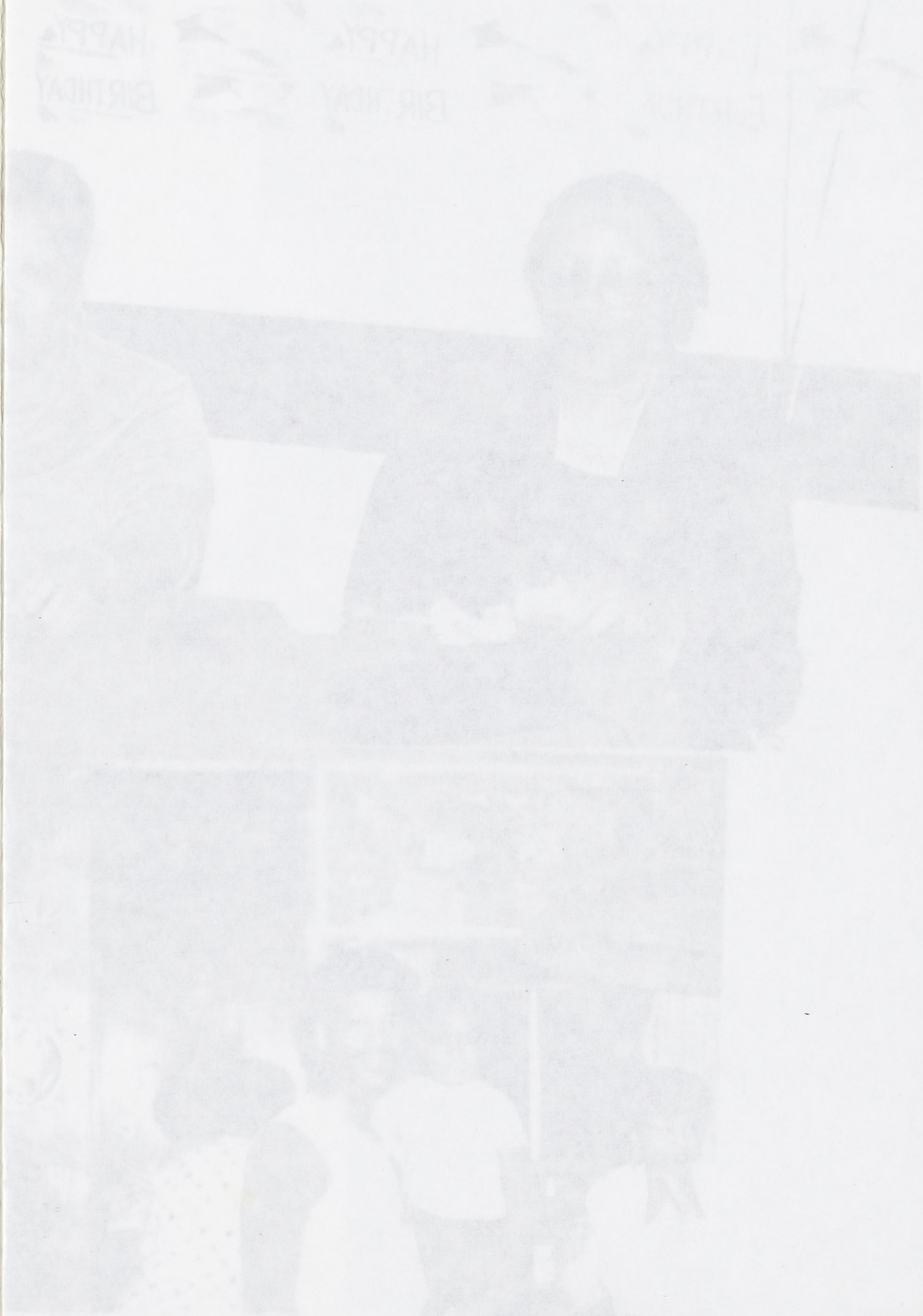
In January 2002, being too weak to attend church on Sundays, Loretha started a Bible Study and Prayer Meeting group every Thursday night in her home; up until she was called home on the morning of March 2, 2002. Loretha use to pull the cover over her head every morning, but her testimony became "Because God Lives I Can Face Tomorrow". Although the doctor's had given up on Loretha, she stated, "God has not give up on me". Therefore, we are not here to mourn her death, but we are here to Celebrate her Homegoing. She will now see the one who did not give up on her!

Loretha was preceded in death by her husband Alex Levels, her father Clarence Young Sr, sister Emma Young-Lincoln; two brothers: Larry D. Young and Charles Adams Young. She leaves to mourn her passing and cherish her memories: her son Alex Lamont Levels, mother Emma Young; a dear grandmother Mary Etta Pree; three grandchildren: Lamont, Kimeka, and Anisa Young; four brothers: Clarence Young, Jr., Clyde Young, Nelson Young and Lloyd Young; one sister Jerrie Celesa Cash; two sisters-in-law; one brother-in-law; a very close sister-cousin Ollie Stinson; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, Church Family and many friends.

'My Mother'

My Mother was the making of me.
She was so true and so sure of me.
I felt like I had someone to live for.
Someone I must not disappoint.
The memory of My Mother
Will always be a blessing to me.

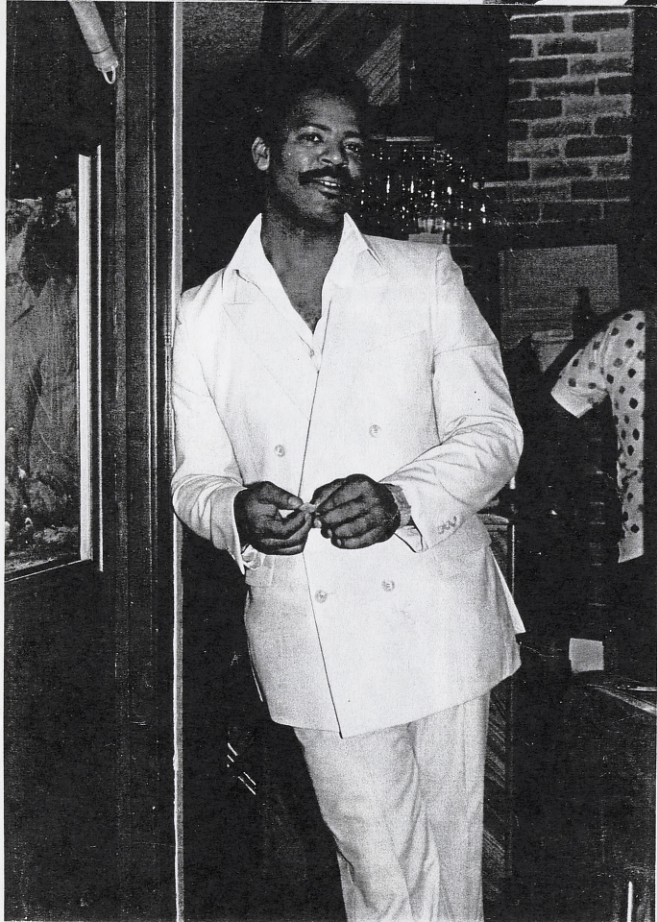


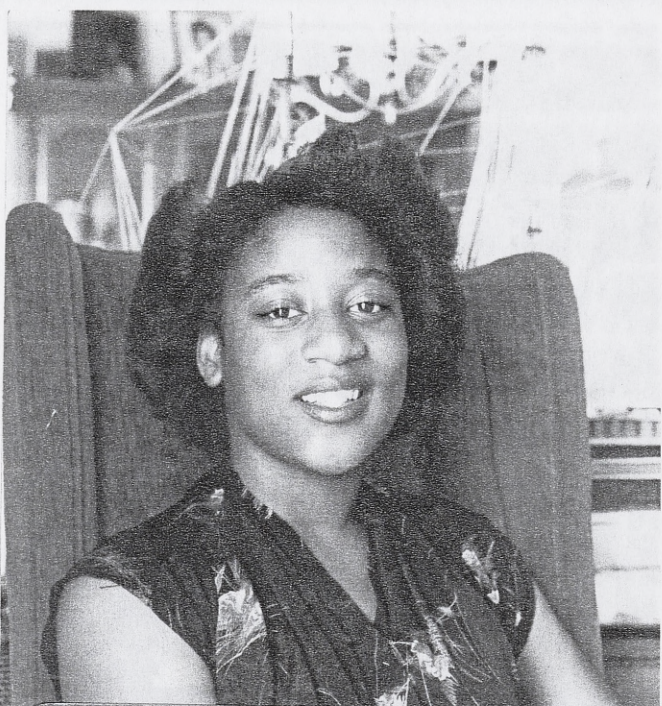




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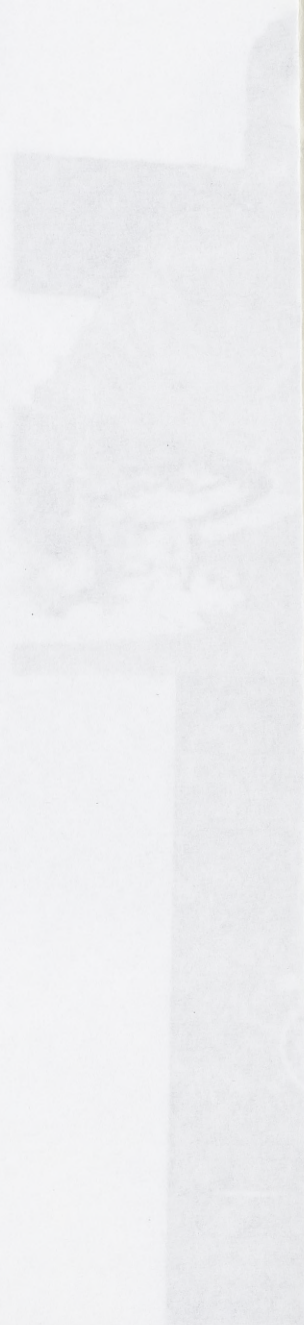
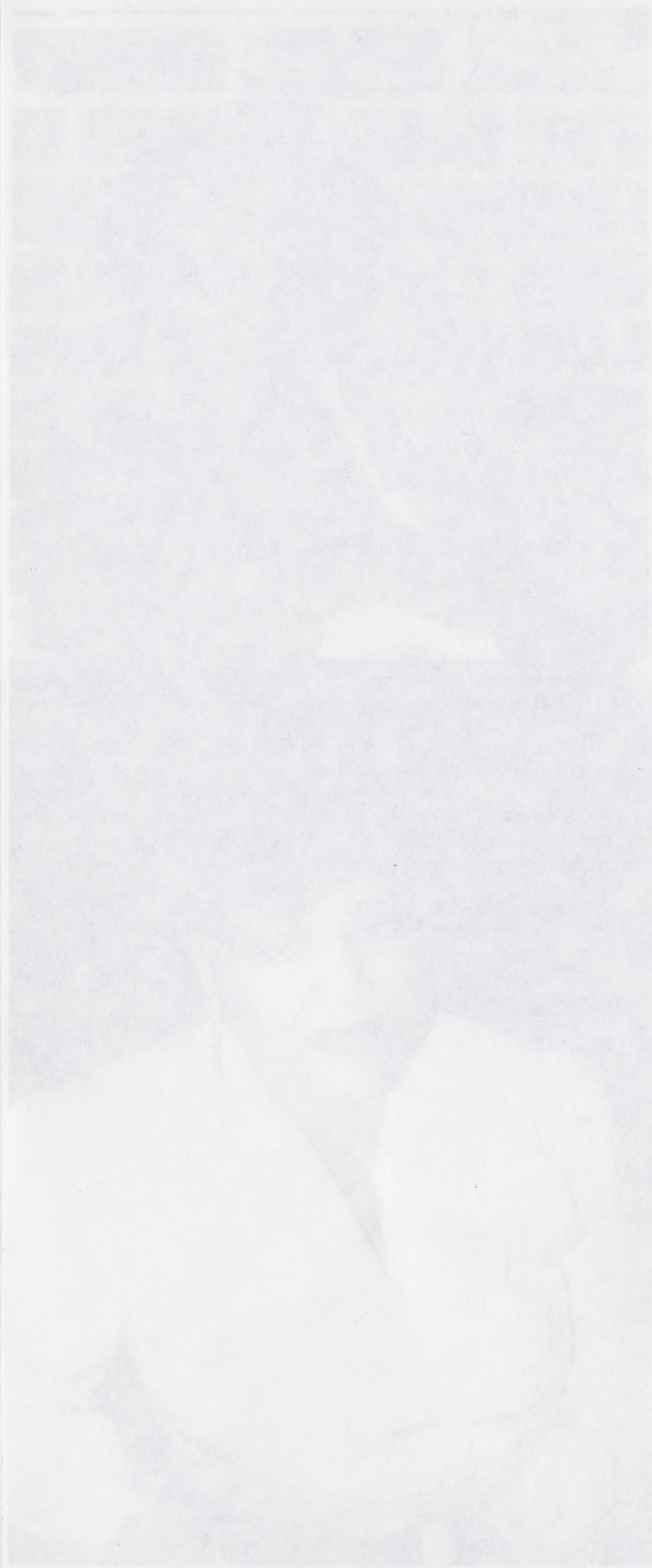












Order of Service

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| Processional | Family |
| Scripture | Ellen Cain |
| Prayer | Rev. Cobbs |
| Solo | Rev. Cobbs |
| Obituary Reading | Amy Mitchell |
| Special Remarks | Pastor Beatrice Clark |
| Solo | Jaco'ee Prothro |
| Eulogy | Dr. Betty Reva Hendricks |
| Solo | Jaco'ee Prothro |
| A Glimpse til Glory | CCBS Directors |
| Recessional | |

Private Interment



Active Pallbearers

Billy Stinson
Cameron Young

Garland Harper
Kevin Smith, Jr.

Charles A. Young, Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Clarence Young, Jr.
Nelson J. Young

Clyde R. Young
Lloyd B. Young

October 20, 2001, on that day Loretha was preparing for her crossing over. She knew her time was near and she was preparing us with love to say "so long", and ready her self to be received by her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Loretha gathered us together for a testimonial dinner she entitled "This Is Your Life", and this is what she wrote:

One day a cry was heard in Richmond, California from a little baby girl. She was given the name Loretha Young. Richmond is where she grew up and received her education. Not knowing that my older sister was dying, I promised her that I would go to church. Shortly after the death of my sister, I wanted to keep my promise not only to my sister, but most of all to the Lord. I knew that I something from God, but not knowing where to go to receive it; one day I went to the corner and asked God to show me where to go to learn about Him because I needed a change in my life. Approximately 6 years ago, after talking to God, I was lead by the Holy Spirit to Bethel Temple Pentecostal Church, under the leadership of Dr. Betty Reva Hendricks. At Bethel Temple I was free to praise the Lord and learn more about His Word. I love my Pastor and the church very much. I had a desire to be more than a bench warmer. After talking to God about what to do in the church (because I wanted to greet people with a smile), I joined the Usher Board and told God that I will serve you Lord until you call me home. I also joined the Mission Board.



Acknowledgments

The family wishes to thank you for your prayers, your calls, your cards and your visits.

Special thanks to:

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